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For Carbondale City Hall restoration committee

Application for National Registry list received

Efforts to put the Carbondale City Hall building on the state and national list of historic landmarks received good news recently. An application was forwarded to Mr. Robert Powell of the Committee to Restore City Hall for the nomination of the structure to the National Registry of Historic Landmarks.

The application must be completed and sent back to the state Historical and Museum Commission, who will review the application and send it on to Washington, D.C. if the buiding meets certain standards established by the state review board.

In a letter from Susan M. Zacher, National Register Coordinator for the Pennsylvania Historic and Museum Commission, Mr. Powell was informed of several additions that must be made to the application handed in to the state last month before it can be considered for being placed on the state registry and nominated for the National Registry.

In other developments, committee members and volunteers removed approximately six tons of pigeon manure from the inside rooms of the old clock tower recently. Several more tons remain in the tower and will be removed by the committee as soon as possible.

Other work completed on the tower was the boarding up of windows and other openings so pigeons can no longer roost in the clock tower.

The restoration committee has established a board of directors and named a slate of officers. Robert Powell will serve a president and secretary, David Baum vice president, and Thomas Brennan, treasurer.

Named to the board of directors were: Powell, Baum and Brennan, John P. Brennan, Joseph Burrell, James Brownell, John V. Bubernick, Mrs. Jean Colville, Mary Louise Dearie, Robert G. Lewis, Nan Loftus, Joseph Pascoe, Rev. Claude A. Pullis and Robert J. Tomaine.

The committee is currently in the process of being incorporated and expects to have this accomplished soon.

The drawing for the 50-50 raffle sponsored by the committee will be held Thursday (tomorrow) at 7:30 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers. Rev. Claude A. Pullis of the Berean Baptist Church will drawn the winning ticket. All tickets and money returns are to be made to David Baum at 41 North Church Street by Thursday at noon. Tickets will be available up until the time of the drawing.

Plans to rededicate the clock tower, recently repaired by Rogers Clock Service of Harrisburg, have been discussed, and a possible date of Memorial Day, May 24, being mentioned. A definite date will be decided upon at the February 18 meeting following the 50-50 raffle drawing.

Plans to revitalize Memorial Park across from City Hall have also been discussed, as were plans on how the committee could organize and run educational and cultural exhibits during Pioneer Days in August. Pioneer Days Committee President James Spall attended the February 4 meeting of the restoration group and told them he would welcome such an addition to the Pioneer Days celebration and would meet to discuss proposed plans the group organizes.

A list of the latest donations to the restoration effort released by the committee includes: Mrs. C. Cresho, Carbondale Business and Professional Women's Club, Catherine L. Kuzmack, John Moran, John and Ruth Ann Roscioli, Mrs. Lois Marr, Carbondale Area High School Students, James P. and Mary D. Kelly, Paul and Margaret Hannon, Charles R. Crocker, Mr. Paul Jacks and Mr. and Mrs. Hollis B. Jones.

Also, G&G Kitchens and Building Materials, Catherine Giblin, Rosemary Kelly and Sister Maria Rose Kelly, IHM, Cottage Hose Company Ladies Auxiliary, Mrs. John F. Nolly Sr., Mrs. Walter W. Toolan, John and Ellen Klimash, Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose J. Keating, John Giblin, Joseph Hencheck, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Martino and Marina Heenan.